

Chair.

1648.

A NEW  
ALMANACK  
AND  
PROGNOSTICATION

For the year of our Lord God. 1648.  
being the Bissextile or Leape  
year.

Calculated for the Meridian of  
St. Hellen Awkland, within the County  
of Durham, where the Pole is mounted  
above the Horizon 54. degrees,  
and 45. minutes.

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Composed by JOHN VAUX.

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*Finit anni utilis, principium est alserius.*

*Simili modo.*

*Dies mortis aeternae vitae Natalis est.*

The day of each mans severall death  
Brings forth his everlasting breath.

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*Mors quae corporea est hujus destructio massae,  
Janua ea est vitae, principiumque novae.*

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A Computation of time to this present  
yeare. 1648.

**S**ince the Creation of the world  
 Since the building of Durham Abbey  
 Since the sinking of Hell Kettles.  
 Since the Coyning of Durham pence  
 Since the Bible was divided into Chapters as now we  
 them.  
 Since the famous Battaille at Nevils Crosse neare Durham  
 betwixt us and the Scots  
 Since the building of Newton Bridge by Walter Sherburne  
 Bishop of Durham  
 Since the rebellion in the North  
 Since the great fire in Darnton  
 Since the great Eclipse of the Sun, called the darke  
 terday, Feb. 25. 1597.  
 Since the great Plague in Durham, Darnton, and other  
 parts of the Country  
 Since the damnable Powder Treason  
 Since the last great Frost  
 Since the last great Snow  
 Since St. Lukes flood, that all the Rivers in the Bishopricke  
 of Durham were up  
 Since the over-flowing of the River Tyne in Newcastle  
 called Selbies flood  
 Since the great fire upon London Bridge  
 Since the birth of our noble Prince Charles  
 Since the birth of Lady Mary  
 Since the birth of James Duke of Yorke  
 Since the birth of Henry Duke of Gloucester  
 Since the birth of the Lady Henrietta  
 Since the beginning of King Charles his reigne, March 27  
 compleat 22. but current

The common Notes and moveable Feasts  
for this present years. 1648.

Old English Account	New Gregorian Account
15 The Golden number.	15
1 The Epistle of the Sun.	5
19 The Epistle.	1
1 The Roman Indiction.	1
B. D. 1 The Dominical Letters.	C. D.
13 Shrove Sunday	23 February
2 Easter day	12 April
7 Rogation Sunday	17 May
11 Ascension day	21 May
21 Whit Sunday	31 May
28 Trinity Sunday	7 June
3 Advent Sunday	29 November

Weekes Between Christmas and Shrove Sunday 8 Weekes 5 dayes.

Weekes Between Whitsunday and Midsummer 3 Weekes 2 dayes

Weekes Between Whitsunday and Advent Sunday 15 Weekes

Nihil in rebus humanis stabile sit.  
Luna, sicut et variatur imagine Luna,  
Crescit, deprescit, constans, consistere nescit.  
Aenigma.





# January hath xxxi. dayes.

Quarter the 7. day, 53. min. after 5. in the morning.  
 New Moon the 14. day, 26. min. after 7. at night.  
 Quarter the 21. day, 53. min. after 1. in the afternoon.  
 Full Moon the 30. day, 2. min. after 1. in the morning.

1	New years day	Heart and	8	21	3	39	
2	St. Stephen.	Back.	8	19	3	41	
3	St. John.	Guts and	8	18	3	42	
4	St. Innoce.	belly.	8	17	3	43	
5	Simcon.	Reines &	8	15	3	45	
6	Twelfth day.	loynes.	8	14	3	46	Epiphany.
7	Felix.	Secrets.	8	12	3	48	
8	Lucian.	Secrets &	8	10	3	50	
9	Agapire.	bladder.	8	8	3	52	1 Sun. after Epi.
10	Paul.	Thighes.	8	6	3	54	
11	Linus.	Thighes.	8	5	3	55	Sol sub Agne.
12	Archade.	Knees.	8	3	3	57	
13	Hillary.	Knees.	8	1	3	59	
14	Felicia.	Leggs.	8	0	4	0	
15	Maurice.	Leggs.	7	58	4	2	
16	Marcell.	Leggs.	7	57	4	3	2 Sun. after Epi.
17	Anthony.	Feet.	7	55	4	5	
18	Prisca.	Feet.	7	53	4	7	
19	Wolstan.	Head.	7	51	4	9	
20	Sebastian.	Head and	7	49	4	11	
21	Agnes.	face.	7	47	4	13	
22	Vincent.	Necke &	7	45	4	15	
23	Emerence.	throat.	7	43	4	16	3 Sun. after Epi.
24	Timothy.	Armes.	7	41	4	17	Termes begins.
25	Con. of Paul.	Armes &	7	40	4	20	
26	Policarpe.	shoulder.	7	38	4	22	Fall. Id. 58. 4.
27	Agnes. 2.	Breast &	7	36	4	24	
28	Valerius.	stomack.	7	34	4	26	
29	Theodore.	Heart and	7	32	4	28	
30	Barild.	back.	7	29	4	31	Septuagesima.
31	Victor.	Guts.	7	27	4	33	

# February hath xxix. dayes

Last Quarter the 5. day, 39. min. after 4. at night.  
 New Moon the 19. day, 58. min. after 1. in afternoon.  
 First Quarter the 22. day, 56. min. after 3. at afternoon.  
 Full Moons the 28. day, 36. min. after 5. in the morning.

1	D	Bridget	Belly	7	35	4	39	
2	e	Purinc. Mary	Armes &	7	23	4	37	
3	f	Blase	loynes.	7	20	4	45	
4	B	Gilbert	Secrets.	7	18	4	43	
5	a	Agathe	Secrets	7	16	4	44	
6	z	Amandus	Thighs	7	13	4	47	Sexagesima
7	c	Angules	Thighs	7	11	4	49	
8	D	Paule	Knees	7	9	4	51	
9	e	Apoline	Knees	7	7	4	53	Sol sub Piscis
10	f	Scholastica	Knees	7	5	4	55	
11	B	Euphrasti	Leggs	7	3	4	57	
12	a	Eulalie	Leggs	7	1	4	59	Terme ends.
13	B	Wolstan	Feet	6	58	5	2	Quinquagesima
14	c	Valentine	Feet	6	56	5	4	
15	D	Faustine	Feet	6	54	5	6	
16	e	Julian	Head &	6	50	5	8	
17	f	Policron	face	6	48	5	10	
18	B	Simeon	Neck	6	45	5	12	
19	a	Sabine	Neck &	6	43	5	15	
20	z	Mildred	throat	6	41	5	19	Quadragesima
21	c	69 Martyrs	Armes &	6	38	5	22	
22	D	Car. S. Pet.	shoulders	6	36	5	24	
23	e	Policarp.	Breast &	6	34	5	26	Fast. 1st 2d
24	f	Bifexius	Stomack	6	31	5	29	
25	c	S. Marthiz	Heart &	6	31	5	29	
26	B	Nestor	back	6	31	5	29	
27	z	Augustine	Outs and	6	29	5	31	2 Sund. in Lent
28	e	Oswald.	Belly	6	27	5	33	
29	B		Armes	6	24	5	36	

# March hath xxxi. dayes.

1st Quarter the 6. day, 21. min. after 5. in the morning.  
 New Moone the 14. day, 41. min. after 7. in the morning.  
 1st Quarter the 22. day, 3. min. after 4. in the morning.  
 Full Moone the 28. day, 14. min. after 7. at night.

David Bish.	loynes	6 22 5 38	
Chad Bish.	secrets &	6 20 5 40	
Maurice	bladder	6 18 5 42	
Adrian	thighes	6 16 5 44	
Eusebius	thighes	5 13 5 47	3 Sun. in Lent.
Victor	thighes	6 11 5 49	
Perpetue	knees	6 9 5 51	
Felix	knees	5 6 5 54	
40. Martyrs	leggs	6 4 5 56	
Agapite	leggs	6 2 5 58	
Quirion	feet	6 0 6 0	1st sub Ari.
Gregory	feet	5 58 6 2	4 Sun. in Lent.
Theodore	feet	5 56 6 4	
Candide	head and	5 54 5 6	
Longius	face	5 51 6 9	
Boniface	neck	5 49 6 11	
S. Patrick	neck and	5 47 6 13	
Edward	throat	5 44 6 16	
Joseph	arms and	5 42 6 18	5 Sun. in Lent.
Cuthbert	shoulders	5 40 6 20	
Benet	breast &	5 38 6 22	
Afradoke	stomack	5 36 6 24	
Theodore	heart	5 33 6 27	
Agapite	heart and	5 31 6 29	
Ann. of Mary	back	5 29 6 31	
Castor	guts and	5 26 6 34	Palme Sunday.
Resurrection	belly	5 24 6 36	1st. Reg. Car.
Dorothe	reines &	5 22 6 38	
Quintine	loynes	5 20 6 40	
Quirine	secrets &	5 18 6 42	
Adelme	bladder	5 16 6 44	

# April hath xxx. dayes.

Last Quarter the 4. day, 7. min. after 8. at night.  
 New Moone the 12. day, 47. min. after 11. at night.  
 First Quarter the 20. day, 37. min. after midnight.  
 Full Moone the 27. day, 47. min. after 3. in the morning.

1	a	Theodore	thighs	5	14	6	46	
2	b	Mary Egypt	thighs	5	12	6	48	Easter day
3	b	Richard Bish	knees	5	10	6	50	
4	c	Ambrose	knees	5	8	6	52	
5	d	Martian	leggs	5	6	6	54	
6	e	Sexus	leggs	5	4	6	56	
7	f	Egippus	leggs	5	2	7	58	
8	g	Perpetuus	feet	4	59	7	1	
9	a	7 Virgins	feet	4	57	7	3	1 Sun. after L
10	b	Tib. and Val.	head	4	55	7	5	Set jub. Lau.
11	c	Julius	head and	4	53	7	7	
12	d	Oswald	face	4	51	7	9	
13	e	Zenoni	neck and	4	49	7	11	
14	f	Oliffe	throat	4	47	7	13	
15	g	Leonard	arms and	4	45	7	15	
16	a	Isidore	shoulders	4	41	7	18	2 Sun. after L
17	b	Cosmy	breast	4	40	7	20	
18	c	Quintine	breast &	4	38	7	22	
19	d	Alphage	stomack	4	36	7	24	Terme begins
20	e	Victor	heart and	4	34	7	26	
21	f	Simeon	back	4	32	7	28	
22	g	Sother	guts and	4	30	7	30	
23	a	George Mar.	belly	4	28	7	32	3 Sun. after L
24	b	Wilfride	reines &	4	26	7	34	
25	c		loynes	4	24	7	36	
26	d	Clere Bish.	Secrets &	4	22	7	38	
27	e	Anastasiu	bladder	4	20	7	40	
28	f	Vistalis	thighs	4	18	7	42	
29	g	Peter Med	thighs	4	16	7	44	
30	a	Aikenwald	knees	4	14	7	46	4 Sun. after L

# May hath xxxi. dayes.

at Quarter the 4. day, 17. min. after high noone.  
 New Moone the 12. day, 51. min. after 11. in the afternoon.  
 Full Quarter the 19. day, 21. min. after 6. at night.  
 Full Moone the 26. day, at 1. in the afternoon.

1	Armi. and Jac.	knees	4	12	7	48	
2	Athanasius	knees	4	10	7	50	
3	Inve. Cruci.	leggs	4	6	7	52	
4	Festum Coron	eggs	4	4	7	54	
5	Godard	feet	4	3	7	56	
6	Jo. Por. Lar.	feet	4	1	7	57	
7	John of Beve.	feet	4	0	7	59	Rogation Sund.
8	Ap. Mich.	head and	4	58	8	0	
9	Nicholas	face	3	57	8	2	
10	Gordian	neck and	3	55	8	3	Sol jub Gen.
11	Anthony	throat	3	54	8	5	Ascension day
12	Acheley	armes	3	52	8	6	
13	Bon face	armes &	3	51	8	8	
14	Isidore	shoulders	3	45	8	9	
15	Brandon	breast and	3	47	8	11	Trinitie ends
16	Bernard	stomack	3	46	8	13	
17	Diascore	heart and	3	44	8	14	
18	Bernardine	back	3	43	8	16	
19	Dunstan	reines &	3	42	8	17	
20	Elen. Queen	loynes	3	41	8	18	
21	Julian Vir.	secrets &	3	40	8	19	Whituesday
22	Desiderius	bladder	3	39	8	20	
23	Francis	thighes	3	38	8	21	
24	Adelme	thighes	3	37	8	22	
25	Augustine	thighes	3	36	8	23	
26	Germene	knees	3	35	8	24	
27	Bede Pri.	knees	3	34	8	25	
28	Choronia	leggs	3	33	8	26	Trinity Sund.
29	Felix	leggs	3	32	8	27	Prince Charles
30	Petronili	feet	3	31	8	28	borne Anno
31	Nerius	feet	3	30	8	29	1630.

# June hath xxx. dayes.

Last Quarter the 3. day, 22. min. after 5. in the morning  
 New Moone the 11. day, 36 min. after 1. in the morning  
 First Quarter the 17. day, 5. min. after 11. at night.  
 Full Moone the 24. day, 17. min. after high noones

1	e	Nichomede	feet	3	30	8	30	
2	f	Marceline	feet	3	30	8	30	Terme begins
3	g	Erasmus	feet	3	29	8	31	
4	g	Petrochi	head and	3	29	8	31	1 Sun. after trine
5	b	Boniface	face	3	28	8	32	
5	t	Wolstan	neck	3	28	8	32	
7	d	Medard	neck and	3	28	8	32	
3	e	William	throat	3	28	8	32	
9	t	Edmund	armes &	3	28	8	32	
10	g	Innocent	shoulders	3	28	8	32	
11	g	Barnaby	breast &	3	27	8	33	Sol sub Cancro
12	b	Basil	stomack	3	27	8	33	
13	c	Anthony	heart and	3	27	8	33	
14	d	Basil Bishop	back	3	27	8	33	
15	e	Vne Mode	gurs and	3	28	8	32	
16	f	Richard	belly	3	28	8	32	
17	g	Borolph	reines	3	28	8	32	
18	g	Marceline	reintes &	3	28	8	32	3 Sun. after trine
19	b	Gervase	loynes	3	28	8	32	
20	c	Edward	secrets &	3	28	8	32	
12	d	Walburg	bladder	3	29	8	31	Terme ends
22	e	Albane	thighes	3	29	8	31	
23	f	Audre	thighes	3	30	8	30	
24	g	S. John Bap.	knees	3	30	8	30	
25	g	Elegius	knees	3	31	8	29	4 Sun. after trine
25	b	Iohn and Paul	leggs	3	32	8	28	
27	c	Crescence	leggs	3	33	8	27	
28	d	Leonis	leggs	3	34	8	26	
29	e	S. Peter.	feet	3	35	8	25	
30	f	Con. of Pau.	feet	3	36	8	24	



# July hath xxxi. dayes.

Quarter the 2. day, 28. min. after 10. at night.  
 Moon the 10. day, 23. min. after 11. in the forenoone  
 Quarter the 17. day, 3. min. after 4. in the morning.  
 Moon the 24. day, 15. min. after high noone.

8	Osta. Jo. Bap.	head	3	37	8	25	
9	Visit. of Ma.	head and	3	38	8	22	5 Sun. after trin.
10	Thom. tran.	face	3	39	8	21	
11	Mar. transf.	neck and	3	40	8	19	
12	Zoe Virgin.	throat	3	41	8	18	
13	Osta. Petri.	armes &	3	42	8	17	
14	Thomas Mar.	shoulders	3	43	8	16	
15	Grimbald	breast	3	44	8	14	
16	Cirill Bishop	breast &	3	46	8	13	6 Sun. after trin.
17	7 Brethren.	stomack	3	47	8	11	
18	Benet tran.	heart and	3	49	8	9	
19	Nabor & Fe.	back	3	51	8	8	
20	Private	guts and	3	51	8	6	Sol. sub Leque
21	Revel.	belly	3	52	8	5	
22	Swithin	reynes &	3	54	8	3	
23	Osmond	loynes	3	55	8	2	7 Sun. after trin.
24	Kenelme	secrets &	3	57	8	0	
25	Arnolph.	bladder	4	0	8	59	
26	Ruffines I.	thighes	4	1	7	58	Dog dayes beg
27	Margaret	thighes	4	3	7	57	
28	Praxede	knees	4	4	7	56	
29	Mary Mag.	knees	4	6	7	54	
30	Apoline	knees	4	8	7	52	8 Sun. after trin.
31	Christine	ic eggs	4	10	7	50	
	S. J. mes	leggs	4	12	7	48	
	Anne	feet	4	1	7	46	
	7 Sleepers	feet	4	16	7	44	
	Sampson	head	4	18	7	42	
	Felix	head and	4	26	7	40	
	Abdon	face	4	22	7	38	9 Sun. after trin.
	Germane	neck	4	24	7	26	

# August hath xxxi. dayes.

Last Quarter the 1. day, 10. min. after 3. in the afternoon  
 New Moone the 8. day, 58. min. after 7. at night  
 First Quarter the 15. day, 45. min. after 10. in the morning  
 Full Moone the 23. day, 51. min. after 2. in the morning  
 Last Quarter the 31. day, 29. min. after 6. in the morning

1	c	Lammas day	neck and	4	26	7	34	
2	d	Steven	throat	4	28	7	32	
3	e	Inve. Step.	armes &	4	30	7	30	
4	f	Justine.	shoulders	4	32	7	28	
5	g	Oswald	breast &	4	34	7	26	
6	h	Christ tran.	stomack	4	36	7	24	10 Sun. aft. tr.
7	i	Festum Jesu.	heart and	4	38	7	22	
8	c	Siriac & Siri.	back	4	40	7	20	
9	d	Romane	guts and	4	42	7	18	
10	e	Laurence	belly	4	45	7	15	
11	f	Tiburrius	reynes &	4	47	7	13	
12	g	Clare vir.	loynes	4	49	7	11	11 Sun. aft. tr.
13	h	Hippolite	secrets &	4	51	7	9	
14	i	Eusebius	bladder	4	53	7	7	
15	c	Assum. Mar.	thighes	4	55	7	5	
16	d	Rocke.	thighes	4	57	7	3	
17	e	Osta. Laure.	knees	4	59	7	1	
18	f	Agapete	knees	5	2	6	56	
19	g	Magnus	knees	5	4	6	54	
20	h	Lewith Bish.	leggs	5	6	6	52	12 Sun. aft. tr.
21	i	Barnard	leggs	5	8	6	50	
22	c	Osta. Assum.	feet	5	10	6	50	
23	d	Timothy	feet	5	12	6	48	
24	e	S. Barth. Apo.	feet	5	14	6	44	
25	f	Lewis King.	head and	5	16	6	42	
26	g	Severine	face	5	18	6	40	
27	h	Rufine	neck	5	20	6	38	13 Sun. aft. tr.
28	i	Augustine	neck and	5	22	6	36	
29	c	John behead.	throat.	5	24	6	34	Dog dayes end
30	d	Felix	armes &	5	26	6	34	
31	e	Cuthburge	shoulders	5	28	6	31	

# September hath xxx. dayes.

Moone the 7. day, 4. min. after 4. in the morning.  
 Quarter the 13. day, 29. min. after 8. at night.  
 Moone the 21. day, 17. min. after 7. at night.  
 Quarter the 29. day, 58. min. after 7. at night.

1	Giles Abbot	breast &	5	31	5	25	
2	Anthony	stomack	5	33	5	27	
3	Gregory	heart	5	36	5	24	14 Sun. aft. trin.
4	Cuthbert	heart and	5	38	5	22	
5	Bertine	back	5	40	5	20	
6	Eugenius	guts and	5	42	5	18	
7	Q. Eliz. borne	belly	5	44	5	16	
8	Nat. of Ma.	reynes &	5	47	6	13	
9	Silvius	loynes	5	49	5	11	Read <i>Leuiticum</i>
10	Prothy	secrets &	5	51	5	9	16. 29.
11	Martian	bladder	5	54	5	6	
12	Maurily	thighes	5	56	5	4	
13	Amancio	thighes	5	58	5	2	<i>Sol sub Libra</i>
14	Holy Crosse	knees	6	0	5	0	
15	Osta. of Mar.	knees	6	2	5	58	
16	Edith	leggs	6	4	5	56	
17	Lambert	leggs	5	6	5	54	16 Sun. aft. trin.
18	Victor	leggs	5	9	5	51	
19	Januarius	feet	5	11	5	49	
20	Eustace	feet	5	13	5	47	
21	S. Matthew	head	5	16	5	44	
22	Maurice	head and	5	18	5	42	
23	Tecla	face	5	20	5	40	
24	Andoche	neck and	5	22	5	38	17 Sun. aft. trin.
25	Firminus	throat	5	24	5	36	
26	Cyprian	armes	5	27	5	33	
27	Cosm. & Da.	arms and	5	29	5	31	
28	Exeuperius	shoulders	6	31	5	29	
29	Michael Arch	breast &	6	34	5	26	
30	Hierome	stomack	6	36	5	24	

# October hath xxxi. dayes.

New Moone the 6. day, 37. min. after high noone.

First Quarter the 13. day, 45. min. after 9. in the morning.

Full Moone the 21. day, 11. min. after 12. in the afternoon.

Last Quarter the 29. day, 23. min. after 7. in the morning.

1	Remigius	heart and	6	38	5	25	18 Sun. aft.
2	Leodegarius	back	6	41	5	16	
3	Cand. Mar.	guts and	6	43	5	17	
4	Fran. Confes.	belly	6	48	5	15	
5	Apolinax	reynes &	6	45	5	16	
6	Faith Vi. g.	loynes	6	50	5	16	
7	Mark and Ma.	secrets &	6	52	5	8	
8	Pelagius.	bladder	6	54	5	6	19 Sun. aft.
9	Dionisee	thighes	6	56	5	4	
10	Gereon	thighes	6	58	5	2	
11	Nicasius	knees	7	1	4	56	
12	Wilfride	knees	7	3	4	57	
13	Edward Tra.	leggs	7	5	4	5	
14	Calix	leggs	7	6	4	3	Sat sub Sec.
15	Wolfran	leggs	7	9	4	51	20 Sun. aft.
16	Michael	feet	7	11	4	46	
17	Etheldred	feet	7	13	4	47	
18	Luke Evan.	head	7	16	4	4	
19	Frideswide	head and	7	18	4	42	
20	Austrebert	face	7	20	4	40	
21	II Virg. Mar.	neck	7	23	4	37	
22	Mary Salo.	neck	7	25	4	35	20 Sun. aft.
23	Maglorie	armes	7	27	4	33	Term be gins
24	Crispin	armes &	7	29	4	31	
25	Iohn Trasn.	shoulders	7	32	4	28	
26	Ursula	breast &	7	34	4	26	
27	Florence	stomack	7	36	4	24	
28	Simon & Jude	heart and	7	38	4	22	
29	Narcissus	back	7	40	4	20	21 Sun. aft.
30	Germane	guts and	7	41	4	19	
31	Quintine	belly	7	43	4	17	

# November hath xxx. dayes.

Moone the 4. day, 32. min. after 8. at night.  
 Quarter the 12. day, 56. min. after 2. in the morning.  
 Moone the 20. day, 18. min. after 7. in the morning.  
 Quarter the 27. day, 2. min. after 5. in the morning.

A. Saints	reynes &	7	45	4	15	
All Soules	loynes	7	47	4	13	
Winifride	secrets &	7	49	4	11	
Amantius	bladder	7	51	4	9	
Lete Priest	thighes	7	53	4	7	Powder Tree.
Leonard	thighes	7	55	4	5	
Wilfride	knees	7	57	4	3	
4. Crowned	knee	7	58	4	2	
Theodore	knees	8	0	4	0	
Martine Bi.	leggs	8	1	3	59	
Martine Bi.	leggs	8	3	3	57	
Parnie	feet	8	5	3	55	Sol. & Sag.
Brice	feet	8	6	3	54	
Erken transf.	feet	8	8	3	52	
Machute	head and	8	10	3	50	
Edmund	face	8	12	3	48	
Init. R. Eliz.	neck	8	14	3	46	
Osa. Mart.	neck and	8	15	3	45	
S. Elizabeth	throat	8	17	3	43	24 Sun. aft. trin.
Edmund K.	arms and	8	18	3	42	
Pres. of Ma.	shoulders	8	19	3	41	
Ciceli. Virg.	breast &	8	21	3	39	
Clement	stomack	8	22	3	38	
Grifogon	heart	8	23	3	37	
Katherine	heart &	8	24	3	36	
Linus	back	8	25	3	35	25 Sun. aft. trin.
Agricoli	guts and	8	26	3	34	
Ruffi.	belly	8	27	3	33	Term ends.
Saturne	reynes &	8	28	3	32	
S. Andrew	loynes	8	29	3	31	

December hath xxxi. daues.

New Monne the 4. day, 26. min. after 10. in the forenoon.  
 First Quarter the 11. day, 14. min. after 11. at night.  
 Full Moone the 19. day, 9. min. after midnight.  
 Last Quarter the 27. day, 23. min. after 1. in the morning.

1	f	Loy	secrets &	8	29	3	31	
2	g	Libane	bladder	8	30	3	30	
3	h	Dionisi	thighes	8	30	3	30	Adven. Sund
4	b	Barbara	thighes	8	31	3	29	
5	c	Nicholas	knees	8	31	3	29	
6	d	Saba Abbot	knees	8	32	3	28	
7	e	Osta. Andr.	leggs	8	32	3	28	
8	f	Concep. Ma.	leggs	8	32	3	28	
9	g	Cyprian	feet	8	32	3	28	
10	h	Eulalie	feet	8	32	3	28	2 Sund. in Ad
11	b	Damas.	feet	8	32	3	28	Sol sub Cap.
12	c	Paul Bish.	head and	8	33	3	27	
13	d	Lucie Vir.	face	8	32	3	28	
14	e	Othlie Vir.	armes	8	32	3	28	
15	f	Valerie Bish.	arms and	8	32	3	28	
16	g	Osapiaentia	shoulders	8	32	3	28	
17	h	Lazarus	neck and	8	32	3	28	3 Sun. in Ad
18	b	Gratian	throat	8	32	3	28	
19	c	Venesi	breast	8	31	3	29	
20	d	Julian	breast &	8	31	3	29	
21	e	S. Thomas	stomack	8	30	3	30	
22	f	30 Martyrs	heart and	8	30	3	30	
23	g	Vistor Vir.	back	8	29	3	31	
24	h	Claudy	guts and	8	29	3	31	4 Sun. in Ad
25	b	Christmas day	belly	8	28	3	31	
26	c	Stephen Mar	reynes &	8	27	3	33	
27	d	John Evang.	loynes	8	26	3	34	
28	e	Innocents	secrets &	8	25	3	35	
29	f	Thom. Beck.	bladder	8	24	3	36	
30	g	James tranf.	thighes	8	23	3	37	
31	h	Silvester	thighes	8	22	3	38	1 Sun. after Chr



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A Prognostication  
for the time to come, as well as  
for the time present.

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Wherein is contained divers per-  
petuall Tables and infallible Rules,  
for rectifying and framing of the yeare,  
fit for the observation of Scholars  
and others that delight in Art.

Published by *John Vaux* of *S<sup>t</sup>. Hellen*  
*Awckland, Anno ætatis sue 72.*  
yeares old.

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When Easter day begins the yeare,  
Strange Newes in England we shall heare,  
The seventh yeare after that will end  
All controversies that depend.

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L O N D O N,

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Company of Stationers. 1648.

A Prognostication.  
To the friendly Reader.

**C**hristian and friendly Reader, our  
Parent and great Grand-father Adam  
by his transgression and disobedience, brought  
unto us our Autumne, or Fall, our Winter  
and Buriall: and afterward, by the merciful  
promise of Almighty God our heavenly Father  
was sent downe from him our second Adam  
(by his obedience fulfilling the Law) to re-  
deem us from that fall, and to signifie unto  
our Spring or resurrection, our Summer  
full perfection: For, as Adam's creation  
fall was in September in the beginning  
Harvest: so Christs incarnation, death, and  
resurrection was in March in the beginning  
the Spring-time. And therefore the four se-  
sons of the yeare may fitly be thus compared,  
viz Harvest to our last end, Mat. 13. 39. We  
ter to our rest in the grave untill the resur-  
rection, John 12. 24. 1 Cor. 15. 36. because  
then, the sappe which is the life, is then descen-  
ded unto our mother Earth, and by her recei-  
ved untill the Spring. The Spring alme-  
sembleth unto us our resurrection and resur-  
rection, 2 Pet. 3. 13. And Summer noteth  
us our full growth, perfection and eternitie  
Christ.

Thus in verse:  
By Harvest, when the leaves doe fall,

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shew'd the last end of us all :  
and aged Winter, livelesse, cold,  
encloseth us in earthly mould :  
The Spring revives us after death,  
and gives unto us a new breath :  
and Summer doth foreshew that state,  
Which shall remaine withouten date.

Now, if we duly consider, and well obserbe  
the yeares of late, with diuers historicall relati-  
ons thereof, wee may easily remember, that  
most of the signes of the worlds period are al-  
ready past, and some few onely remaine.  
Wherefore, Howle ye, for the day of the Lord  
is at hand : it shall come as a destruction from  
the Almighty. For the stars of heaven, and  
the constellations thereof shall not give their  
light : the Sun shall be darkned in his going  
forth, and the Moon shall not cause her light  
to shine, Isai. 13.6, 10.

### Winter.

**W**inter (according to Astronomicall com-  
putation) began the 12. day of Decem-  
ber last, 1647. at what time the Sunne entred  
into the first minute of the Southerne and tro-  
picall signe Capricornus, making the daies  
shortest, and the nights longest ; at which time  
he began his Southerne progresse towards the  
Equinox. This quarter is of its own nature

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cold and dry, at which time the earth is at rest  
and ceaseth to bring forth, that it may gather to-  
gether againe, and recouer the lost strength  
gainst Summer: from which ~~the~~ winter  
commonly bindeth the earth, which it warmeth  
and covereth with snow as with a garment, and  
refresheth it with store of raine; so snow and  
ice are comfortable to corne, and bringeth plenty  
of all things. And after the Sun hath ac-  
complished his last degrees under Aquarius  
and Pisces, hee openeth the earth with new  
pleasant gales of winde, and prepareth the  
Spring-time. And this is the generall and  
proper temperament of every Quarter of the  
year, which is alwaies to be considered in Me-  
teorology, lest that we speak of Flowers in  
winter, and of Ice in Summer.

## Of the Spring.

**T**he Spring beginneth at the Sunnes en-  
trance into the first minute of Aries, mak-  
ing the dayes and nights of an equall length  
throughout the world, which shall be this year  
the 10. of March. This Quarter is by na-  
ture hot and moist; for then the Sunne be-  
comes nearer unto his verticall point, and ad-  
to stars of a hotter nature, causing thereby the  
drier windes to blow; of which is Subolanus,  
and Favonius, called the West-windes, where

with superfluous humours are waisted and consumed, the seed conveniently sowne, and the ground stirred and made fit to bring forth; which setteth forward trees, vines, flowers, and leaves, and bedecketh the earth with grasse and herbs. But because the new and tender sprouts lately sprung up, requirerh moistening showers, there ariseth in the morning Pleiades, Hyades, and Orion, and in the evening Arcturus, tempestuous and moist stars, which stirreth up rain and winde. At the length the Sunne (coming to Gemini) moveth a convenient and temperate heat to the former seed.

The Spring and Summer both waxe old,  
And are become like Winter cold:  
Thus times and seasons doe decay,  
As we our selves doe every day.  
For heaven and earth must have an end,  
When we shall from our graves ascend:  
And be renew'd from earth againe  
With Christ for ever to remaine.

### Of Summer.

Summer beginneth at the Sunnes ingress into the first minute of the southerne and tropicall signe Cancer, which will be the 12. of June. This Quarter is by nature hot and dry, at whose beginning there ariseth Perseus,

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Aselli, and other fixed starres of a moistning vertue : from whence by the Sunnes ascesse is stirred up raine to bring forth rozne and other fruite. But after that the things growing from the earth have attained a iust increase, and by heat waereth toward maturation and ripenesse, the Sun appoaching the hot signe Leo, there ariseth Sirius and Procyon, which are stars of a hot constellation ; therefore great heat is stirred up : to the tempering whereof the Etesian windes blow in the day-time ; afterward the Sonne coming to Virgo, the said heat is mitigated by little and little, and at the rising of Arcturus it bringeth raine.

## Autumne, or Harvest.

**A**utumne beginneth the 13. day of September, when the Sun entreteth into the first minute of the Equinoctiall signe Libra, making then the nights equall with the dayes. This Quarter is by nature cold and dry : for the heat ceaseth with the Summer passed. And although plentifull showres doe then fall, so that the Vintage is then abundant, and the winter seed-time is made more commodious ; yet notwithstanding the remaining heat of the aire which by the Sunnes ascesse to hot stars in Sagittarius, is some what increased, and the moisture of the earth drawne up, and the ground cheaf-



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hed and prepared for the winter following,  
lest cold coming on a sudden, might hurt the  
seed and winter cozne.

PRÆDICTIO.

The Lord God hath spoken, Who can but  
prophecie? Amos 3.8.

For: warned-time is still appzoching neer,  
Yet, to declare the same, some blds forbeare;  
For now's the time that truth must not be told,  
Because it's hated, and of most controld.

And he that would with great ones bear a sway,  
Must say the Crow is white, if they so say.

Which say to the seers, see not; and to the  
Prophets, prophecie not unto us right things:  
speak unto us smooth things, prophecie de-  
ceits, Isai. 30.10. 1 King. 22.13.

When as Noah's flood began, the world  
was old,

for the hundredth fifty two yeares thzee times  
told.

And when the age of Christ shall equall be  
unto the worlds age, parted here in thzee:  
The dreadfull day of Doome is drawing neer,  
When all men must befoze the Lord appeare.  
But careless heads will not be here with toucht,  
Because they think it cannot be aboucht.

Cavete tamen: Take heed notwithstanding,  
lest ye be taken upon a sudden. Watch there-  
fore, for ye know not what houre your Lord  
will come, Mat. 24.42.

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If th' ancient books which I have read,  
May (for a truth) be credited :  
There are not full eight years to spend,  
Before the World come to an end,  
quoth John Vaux.

## An old Scottish Prophecie.

**N**I fallat fatum, Scori, quocunque locatum  
Invenient lapidem ; regnare tenentur i-  
bidem.

*Qu.* What may this stone I pray you be,  
And where it is, declare to mee ?

*An.* It's Jacob's stone whereon he slept,  
Which in Westminster Church is kept.

## ÆNIGMA.

Si duo de nostris tollas pronomina rebus,  
Prælia cessarent, pax sine lite foret.

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*A Table to find the Circle of the Sunne, the Domini call letter, and Leap year, for 18. yeares.*

1644	1	G F
1645	2	E
1646	3	D
1647	4	C
1648	5	B A
1649	6	G
1650	7	F
1651	8	E
1652	9	D C
1653	10	B
1654	11	A
1655	12	G
1656	13	F E
1657	14	D
1658	15	C
1659	16	B
1660	17	A G
1661	18	F
1662	19	E
1663	20	D
1664	21	C B
1665	22	A
1666	23	G
1667	24	F
1668	25	E D
1669	26	C
1670	27	B
1671	28	A

*A Table to find the Golden Number and Epact for 38. yeares.*

Yeares of the Lord.	Golden Number.	Epact.	Yeares of the Lord.
1634	1	11	1653
1635	2	22	1654
1636	3	3	1655
1637	4	14	1656
1638	5	25	1657
1639	6	6	1658
1640	7	17	1659
1641	8	28	1660
1642	9	9	1661
1643	10	20	1662
1644	11	1	1663
1645	12	12	1664
1646	13	23	1665
1647	14	4	1666
1648	15	15	1667
1649	16	26	1668
1650	17	7	1669
1651	18	18	1670
1652	19	29	1671

*Seek the year of the Lord, wherein you desire to be satisfied, and you shall finde placed directly ag. inst it that which you look for.*

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Golden  
Number.

*A perfect Table whereby to finde Easters Day for  
ever; which may be therefore called Clavis Anni,  
be Key of the year.*

*Mr. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> for March, and Ap. for April.*

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Ap. 9	10	11	12	6	7	8
2	Mr. 26	27	28	29	30	31	Ap. 1
3	Ap. 16	17	18	19	20	24	15
4	Ap. 9	3	4	5	6	7	8
5	Mr. 26	27	28	29	23	24	25
6	Ap. 16	17	11	12	13	14	15
7	Ap. 2	3	4	5	6	Mr. 31	Ap. 1
8	Ap. 23	24	25	19	20	21	22
9	Ap. 9	10	11	12	13	14	8
10	Ap. 2	3	Mr. 28	29	30	31	Ap. 1
11	Ap. 16	17	18	19	20	21	22
12	Ap. 9	10	11	5	6	7	8
13	Mr. 26	27	28	29	30	31	25
14	Ap. 16	17	18	19	13	14	15
15	Ap. 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
16	Mr. 26	27	28	22	23	24	25
17	Ap. 16	10	11	12	13	14	15
18	Ap. 2	3	4	5	Mr. 30	31	Ap. 1
19	Ap. 23	24	18	19	20	21	22

When

When pee have found the Sunday letter in the uppermost line, guide your eye downward from the same, untill you come right ober against the prime, and there is shewed both what moneth, and what day of the moneth Easter day falleth that yeare. Which being found, reckoning backward seven Sundayes, you shall have Quinquagesima. And from thence reckon the Sundayes untill Christmas, so have you the intervallum minus. Again, from Easter day reckon five Sundayes forward, and where the count endeth, that is Rogation Sunday, the next Thursday following is Ascension day. The second Sunday after that is Whitsunday, and the next Sunday Trinity Sunday, from whence reckon the Sundayes untill Advent, and so you have the intervallum majus. And this is a full account without any error.

Advent Sunday is thus found.

When	{ B C D E F G A }	is Dominicall letter, <i>Advent</i> <i>Sunday</i> shall be the	{ 27 28 29 30 1 2 3 }	of <i>Novem.</i>     of <i>Decemb.</i>
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A common

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A common error concerning Shrove-Tuesday, usually called Fastens-Even, and of the change of the Moone in February.

**I** have heard some say (who are well persuaded of their owne opinion) that Shrove Sunday is alwaies in February; and that the moon constantly changeth once in that moneth, as she doth in all other moneths, which is not so: For that rule faileth twice in the revolution of the Golden numbers, which is the space of 19. yeares: for whensoever 8. shall be the Golden number in any one yeare, there will be no change of the Moone in February that yeare, unlesse B shall bee the Sunday letter the same yeare; and then the change will fall in the forenoone of the first day, as it fell out in the yeare of our Lord God, 1697. and as you shall see it fall out in the yeare of our Lord God, 1698. the Moone will change the first day of February, and yet Fastens-Even will fall upon the 8. day of March, which will be five weeks after. And likewise, when the Golden number in any one yeare shall be 19. the change of the Moone will fall upon the last day of February, and Fastens-Even in both those yeares will fall in March, as it fell in the yeare 1641. when the Moone changed not in February, whereof I made mention in my

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Prognostication, Anno 1635. Neither will  
be any change of the Moon in February,  
1660. And thus much for the truth.  
Let yet unborn who ere againe shall see  
That Fastens Even the ninth of March shal be,  
ill 8. be Golden number, and that C  
e Sunday letter, it can never be.  
And yet by course of time it will fall twice upon  
e 9. of March within 342. years, (Permissio-  
e divina, if the world shall continue so long)  
in the yeare of our Lord 1736. and in the  
yeare of our Lord 1983. and in these two years  
Fastens Even will fall againe upon the ninth  
of March.

A perfect Rule whereby to computate  
or cast up any dayly expence whatsoever,  
without either Pen or Counters, remem-  
bering onely these foure words following,  
viz. Pounds, halfe Pounds, Groats,  
Pence.

Suppose a man spends two pence a day  
throughout the whole yeare, what is the  
summe I pray you of this daily expence?

Two pence a day comes to two pounds, two  
shillings, two groats, and two pence;  
which in the totall summe is, three pound and  
two pence in the yeare.

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Againe, suppose a man spends two shillings a day throughout the whole yeare, what the summe I pray you of this daily expence.

You must alwayes remember how many pence is contained in the summe of your daily expence, and so you must worke or reckon, as by your former rule.

And thus two shillings (which is foure and twenty pence) a day, comes to foure and twenty pounds, foure and twenty halfe pounds, foure and twenty groats, and foure and twenty pence, which in the totall summe is thirty pounds ten shillings in the yeare. And thus you may compute any other summe whatsoever.

## Of the Eclipses of this yeare, 1648.

There will be three Eclipses this yeare of the two lights, but none of them visible above our Horizon, and therefore I forbear to speak of time when they happen. The most feared Eclipse of the Sunne, that hath been seen in our dayes, was the 25. day of February 1597. called the Dark Saturday, now 51. yeares since. And the next like unto it (which any man hath ever heard of, or shall see) will be upon Wednesday the second day of August 1654. a little before high noone, which will be almost wholly darkened, and continue so very near

at which time the dark body of the Moone  
will be directly interposed betwixt the Sun and  
upon the earth, wherein we may behold the  
marvellous works of the Lord; who of his  
mercy prepare our hearts against his  
coming at the worlds conclusion, which (I con-  
fide) will not be long after.

### Of the cause of the Eclipses.

The Eclipse of the Sunne may be totall,  
but seldome in divers parts: but the  
Eclipse of the Moone may be universall.

The Eclipse of the Sunne cometh to passe,  
when as the Moone according to her diameter  
is placed betwixt the Earth and the Sunne.

The Eclipse of the Moone is a privation or de-  
privation of the Sunnes light to the Moone;

which happeneth when as the Moone runneth

in the shadow of the earth interposed diame-

trally betwixt the Sunne and the Moone; both

of them chanceth neere the head and taile of the

Dragon. When as the Moone in her change

is full is placed by a right line under the E-

arth, we necessarily have an Eclipse of one

of the lights: of the Sunne at the change, and

of the Moone at the full.

The Moone moveth, especially in her

quarter by reason of the nearnesse of the earth.

And as the Sunnes

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Sunnes light nourisheth the bodies of the creatures with a gentle and vitall heat, and beth strength to their actions ; even so Moone filleth them with humours, and (as were, as a servant) ministreth food and refreshment to naturall heat.

The Moone with us in the winter increaseth cold from the change to the Full, not of selfe, but by accident. For she draweth up many vapours from the earth, which when they are most cold, doe more infrigidate the aire.

## Of the Motions of the Heavens, and heavenly Bodies.

**VV**ho will be so ungodly or irreligious as to attribute more unto these heavenly creatures then is fitting : or otherwise to thinke that they were made to no end, but onely to be gazed upon as a signe at a doore. For Deus nihil frustra fecit. And who can deny but that every inferiour (a quo superiore regitur & gubernatur) is ruled and governed by his superiour : And therefore the Starres (according to nature) have power over the body of man, but not over the will, for they doe entice (but not enforce) a man to this or that. As the Lord said, Unque dominarentur, and therefore (ut dominari minuantur) they doe as Gods libidinate Magistrates threaten and denounce.

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all judgements upon us here on earth, un-  
lesse we obey his will here, as they doe in hea-

The Lord whose dwelling is in heaven,  
doth govern all the world by Seven :  
He hath directed them their way,  
wherein they walk and him obey.  
He hath established them for ever, he hath  
made a Decree which shall not passe, Psalm.  
ver. 6.

The Starre is but the instrument,  
The Planet is the same,

The signes also doe represent  
Jehovah's mighty Name :

In that all things created were,  
Each other to supply.

The strong each feeble doth appeare,  
Who can the same deny ?

As God is soule to every man,  
And life to creatures all,

So rules he them that ruleth us,  
Which Starres by name we call.

Willdaine not then the noble skill  
Of Planets course and tide,

For they doe rule thee by Gods will,  
Yet God is still thy Guide.

The gift of thine immortall state  
Is faith in God above,

Which teacheth thee by reason here  
How God imparts his love.

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### A fore-warning to Astrologers.

Cardanus in his Commentary upon Plinys saith the

*Ne predices tentanti, nec habiam habere  
genesim, nec sine pretio, nec cum exortu  
tio: Nam vili penditur Ars in omnibus  
daturq; errandi occasio, cum levibus labo  
bus magna predicere conamur, & invicem  
difficilia.*

Thus in English verse:

**F**ore-tell him nought that trieth thee,  
Because he comes in subtilty,  
Nor him that hath a doubtfull birth,  
For hee'l account thy skill nought worth  
Without reward fore-tell thou nought,  
Nor yet for small price tell thou nought  
For in all these Art's ill esteem'd,  
And th' Artfman often vilely deem'd;  
And great occasion thereby's geene  
Of Errour, as my selfe have seen,  
When with light paines wee goe about  
Great, and hard matters to finde out.



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Of the <sup>ju.</sup>Qualities and Operation  
of Tabacco.

**T**abacco is an herbe so called of the Island  
Tabacco, where it groweth plentifully,  
and is called Necotiana, of Necotio, the In-  
tentor thereof, who first brought it unto us  
from the Indians: The Indians in their  
Language call it Picicel. It is a kind of herbe  
called Tabacco, it is like henbane, and may  
be called the Indian henbane, hot and dry  
in the third degree (as I take it). The juice of  
the green leafe is good to cure any greene  
wound, though it be poysoned: the syzup is  
good for divers diseases: the smoke of the leaf  
dried and taken in a pipe, is used as in old time  
Ensilage was, for the cure of the Cough, the  
cough of the Lungs, distillations of Rheumes,  
cold, tooth-ach, head-ach, and in fine whatsoever  
disease cometh of a cold cause, and good for all  
full bodies that are cold and moist of constituti-  
on, if it be moderately used, and taken upon an  
empty stomach, and that it be good Indian, and  
not sophisticated: But being immoderately ta-  
ken, it dryeth the body, inflameth the blood,  
hurteth the brain, and intoxicateth, bycedeth  
winde and crudity, and hath a bewitching fa-  
culty, that when men use it overmuch they can-  
not leave it. See Weckerus, and others. Now  
of the syzup of Tabacco they make a vomite.

## A Prognostication.

Certain Notes to be remembered at the first falling sick of any person, gathered out of a famous Physician in his time.

**VV**ho so falleth sick (saith hee) on the Sunday, and no amendment by the fifth day after, is in great danger of death at the tenth day following: but if he begin to amend the 8. or 9. day, then he is like to recover perfect health about the 15. day following.

Who so falleth sick on the Monday, there may be hope he may recover health by the 9. day following: but if that sicknesse continue unto the 12. day, the party shall be in a very great danger to die on the 14. day after.

Who so falleth sick upon the Tuesday, there is hope of amendment the 3. day after. And if sickness longer continue, expect death the 6. or 8. day following.

Who so falleth sick on the Wednesday, and at the 7. day taketh rest and sleepeth, amendment followeth: but if the sicknesse continue untill the 12. day, and encrease 6. or 7. dayes after, death to the sick is to be looked for.

They that fall sick on the Thursday, are like to amend at the 9. day following: and if the sickness longer continue, yet there is great hope to the party of health the 15. day after.

Who so falleth sick upon the Friday, there may be hope of amendment the 7. or 8. day after.

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er: but if the sicknesse endure longer, it will  
great danger to the party the 15. day follow-

When any falleth sick on the Saturday, and  
the sicknesse continue without any amend-  
ment 6. dayes, the party is in great danger the  
day following: but if amendment come on  
the 7. day, and the party fall to sleep, he is like  
to recover health by the 14. day following.

God bleſſe our King and his poſterity  
With perfect peace and much proſperity.

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